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The Swirlies get a little ethereal in Edinburgh, 2011. Photo credit: Swirlies.

Excellent news! Contrary to all previous indications, [Sneaky Flute Moods: A Tribute to the Swirlies](#) is NOT the "[Last Dangerous Visions](#)" of netaudio compilations. In fact, much like the hard-boiled eggs, delicious oblong chocolates and rapidly reproducing rabbits in your backyard...it's already here. So read [the book](#) (a PDF zine published by the astoundingly creative folks at [Mi Abuela Es Jazzista](#)), see [the movie](#) (lo-fi animation from [Dax Norman](#) and me) and dive into the most massive, potent expression of [Swirlies](#) love ever assembled.

Your ole friend,
Dave MH
Reverse Engine netlabel

Introduction to the [Fanzine](#)

In 2008, when the plan for a Swirlies tribute album was first announced, all sorts of people came out of the woodwork. Joyful weirdos, home recorders, dreamy lo-fi enthusiasts. We brought our Big Muffs, Jaguars, banjos and glockenspeils, our Casio SK-1s and crappy plastic microphones. We made some friends, made some noise and we got to work covering our favorite Swirlies songs. The resulting compilation features a lineup that spans eight countries and three continents.

Like the Swirlies catalogue itself, the sonic terrain is lush, varied and spans across many genres, including lo-fi, hardcore, indie rock, experimental pop, electronic, (don't say it!) shoegaze and undefinable. Yes, there's something to please everyone, from the casual circuit bender to the weeping teenager, the retired trapeze artist to the red-eyed trucker. And in the grand tradition of Richmond County Archives (the netlabel run by scientist slash Swirlies bassist Andy Bernick) and the Swirlies' own Magic Strop series, this compilation is free (as in free kittens).

Remember, "Sneaky Flute Moods" is a love letter. It was made by Swirlies fans who happen to be musicians. We're all matchsticks here. We made it for the band. And we made it for you. Thanks for listening.

--The Sneaky Flute Team

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